

REMARKS

The Amendment filed on December 20, 2004 was deemed non-compliant because of the use of the term "Allowed" as the status indicator for claim 13. Applicant resubmits the above revised Listing of Claims section, which replaces the term "Allowed" with the appropriate status indicator, "Previously Presented."

Applicant submits that the Application is now in condition for Allowance, and a holding to this effect is respectfully solicited. If however, the Examiner believes that any issue remains, he is requested to call Applicant's undersigned attorney of record so that a brief interview may be arranged for resolving any such remaining issue.

Please charge any fees associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 033975. The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any overpayments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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